

STATE OF VERMONT  
PUBLIC SERVICE BOARD

Docket No. 7691

Investigation into Washington Electric )  
Cooperative, Inc.'s tariff filing requesting an )  
overall rate increase in the amount of 23.81%, to )  
take effect January 1, 2011 )

Order entered: 3/22/2011

**ORDER EXTENDING SCHEDULE**

On March 18, 2011, Washington Electric Cooperative, Inc. ("WEC") and the Vermont Department of Public Service ("Department") filed a joint motion to extend the schedule in this Docket. The parties state that an extension is necessary to allow adequate time for WEC to respond to the interrogatories propounded by the Department. I grant the joint motion and establish the following schedule, as proposed by WEC and the Department:

March 25, 2011	WEC responds to Department's discovery requests
April 4, 2011	Department serves second round of discovery upon WEC
April 18, 2011	WEC responds to Department's second round of discovery requests
May 2, 2011	Department files prefiled testimony
May 12, 2011	WEC serves first round of discovery upon Department
May 31, 2011	Department responds to WEC's discovery requests
June 7, 2011	WEC serves second round of discovery upon Department
June 21, 2011	Department responds to WEC's second round of discovery requests
July 1, 2011	WEC files prefiled rebuttal testimony
July 11, 2011	Department serves discovery upon WEC
July 25, 2011	WEC responds to Department discovery requests

August 3, 2011	Department files prefiled surrebuttal testimony, if needed
August 18 and 19, 2011	Technical hearings <sup>1</sup>
September 6, 2011	Parties file briefs
September 16, 2011	Parties file reply briefs
September 30, 2011	Target date for proposal for decision

In addition, WEC stated that it will waive, until October 31, 2011, the seven-month deadline for a final order pursuant to 30 V.S.A. § 227. This Order is conditioned on receipt of a signed letter confirming WEC's waiver of the seven-month deadline until October 31.

**SO ORDERED.**

Dated at Montpelier, Vermont, this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of March, 2011.

s\ Edward McNamara  
Edward McNamara, Esq.  
Hearing Officer

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FILED: March 22, 2011

ATTEST: s/ Susan M. Hudson  
Clerk of the Board

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1. The parties proposed technical hearings on August 16, 2011. However, that date is Bennington Battle Day, a state holiday. In addition, the Hearing Officer will not be available for a technical hearing on August 15, 2011. If holding technical hearings on August 17 and 18 is a problem for parties, please contact the Clerk of the Board.